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June 7, 2002

Honorable Felix J. Boudreaux
Commissioner of Conservation
State of Louisiana
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Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-4275

Re: APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING.

Hosston Zone, Reservoir A; Cotton Valley Formation,
Reservoir A; and Lower Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir
A; ELM GROVE FIELD, Caddo and Bossier Parishes,
Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

J-W OPERATING COMPANY ("Applicant") hereby respectfully applies for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of Orders pertaining to the following matters relating to the Hosston Zone, Reservoir A; to the Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A; and to the Lower Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A; in the Elm Grove Field, Caddo and Bossier Parishes, Louisiana:

1. To permit Applicant to drill, designate and utilize six (6) additional alternate unit wells for HOSS RA SU52, at the locations shown on an attached plat.
2. To permit Applicant to drill, designate and utilize three (3) additional alternate unit wells for HOSS RA SU53, at the locations shown on an attached plat.
3. To designate the Moon Lake 20 No. 1 Well, located as shown on an attached plat, as the unit well for HOSS RA SU77; and, to permit Applicant to drill, designate and utilize three (3) alternate unit wells for HOSS RA SU77, at the locations shown on an attached plat.
4. To permit Applicant to drill, designate and utilize two (2) additional alternate unit wells for HOSS RA SU116, at the locations shown on an attached plat.
5. To permit Applicant to drill, designate and utilize an alternate unit well for HOSS RA SU106, at the location shown on an attached plat.
6. To permit Applicant to drill, designate and utilize five (5) additional alternate unit wells for CV RA SU58, at the locations shown on an attached plat; with the location for the proposed Moon Lake 16 No. 2 Well, as shown on an attached plat, being in lieu of the location previously approved for this well by Office of Conservation Order No. 361-B-142, effective February 21, 2001.
7. To permit Applicant to drill, designate and utilize three (3) additional alternate unit wells for CV RA SU59, at the locations shown on an attached plat.

8. To designate the Moon Lake 20 No. 1 Well, located as shown on an attached plat, as the unit well for CV RA SU83; and, to permit Applicant to drill, designate and utilize three (3) alternate unit wells for CV RA SU83, at the locations shown on an attached plat.

9. To permit Applicant to drill, designate and utilize two (2) additional alternate unit wells for CV RA SU130, at the locations shown on an attached plat.

10. To permit Applicant to drill, designate and utilize an additional alternate unit well for CV RA SU126, at the location shown on an attached plat and in lieu of the location previously approved for this well by Office of Conservation Order No. 361-B-186, effective December 19, 2001.

11. To permit Applicant to drill, designate and utilize six (6) alternate unit wells for LCV RA SUVV, at the locations shown on an attached plat.

12. To permit Applicant to drill, designate and utilize three (3) additional alternate unit wells for LCV RA SUWW, at the locations shown on an attached plat.

13. To permit Applicant to drill, designate and utilize three (3) alternate unit wells for LCV RA SUZZ, at the locations shown on an attached plat.

14. To permit Applicant to drill, designate and utilize three (3) additional alternate unit wells for LCV RA SU53, at the locations shown on an attached plat.

15. To permit Applicant to drill, designate and utilize an alternate unit well for LCV RA SU61, at the location shown on an attached plat.

16. To permit the drilling of each of the proposed wells at the location shown on attached plats or at any legal location within the unit on which it is proposed to be drilled.

17. To approve exceptions to the well location provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 361-A-1, effective October 1, 1972 (applicable to the Hosston Zone, Reservoir A), Office of Conservation Order No. 361-B, effective October 1, 1973 (applicable to the Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A), and Office of Conservation Order No. 361-E, effective July 16, 1996 (applicable to the Lower Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A), for any of the proposed wells, the location of which, as shown on attached plats, does not comply with the well location provisions in said Orders.

18. To find that each of the proposed alternate unit wells is necessary to efficiently and economically drain a portion of the unit on which it is proposed to be drilled which cannot be efficiently and economically drained by any existing well on such unit.

19. To discuss such other matters as may be pertinent to this application.

The Hosston Zone, Reservoir A, in the Elm Grove Field, Caddo, Webster and Bossier Parishes, Louisiana, is defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 361-A-1, effective October 1, 1972.

The Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A, in the Elm Grove Field, Caddo, Webster and Bossier Parishes, Louisiana, is defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 361-B, effective October 1, 1973, and Office of Conservation Order No. 361-B-6, effective May 24, 1978.

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The Lower Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A, in the Elm Grove Field, Caddo, Webster and Bossier Parishes, Louisiana, is defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 361-E, effective July 16, 1996.

Pertinent data concerning this application is available for inspection at the offices of Mr. Joe B. Adams, 4520 Jamestown Avenue, Suite 6, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70808. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call Mr. Adams at (225) 929-6097 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such data which is not otherwise available at the Office of Conservation can be obtained from Applicant at the expense of the requesting party. Any questions related to the location of any of the proposed wells should be directed to Ms. Karen Liquori at J-W Operating Company (972) 233-8191.

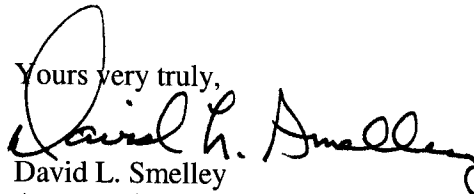
As provided by the Revised Rules of Procedure, the subject matter of this application does not require the issuance of a pre-application notice; therefore, no such notice has been issued.

Pursuant to the aforesaid Rules of Procedure, Applicant has made a reasonable effort to obtain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom notice of this application is being sent and has attached hereto a list of the names and addresses of such parties. A copy of this letter, and of each of the six (6) attached plats, is being sent to the District Manager of the Shreveport District of the Office of Conservation and to the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties, as shown on the attached list.

Applicant will provide for posting of a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing and the enclosed plats at a prominent place in the area affected and will cause publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of Elm Grove Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Furthermore, Applicant will mail a copy of the Legal Notice to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice from the Commissioner.

Finally, we enclose a check payable to the Commissioner of Conservation for the application fee.

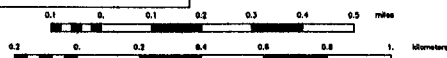
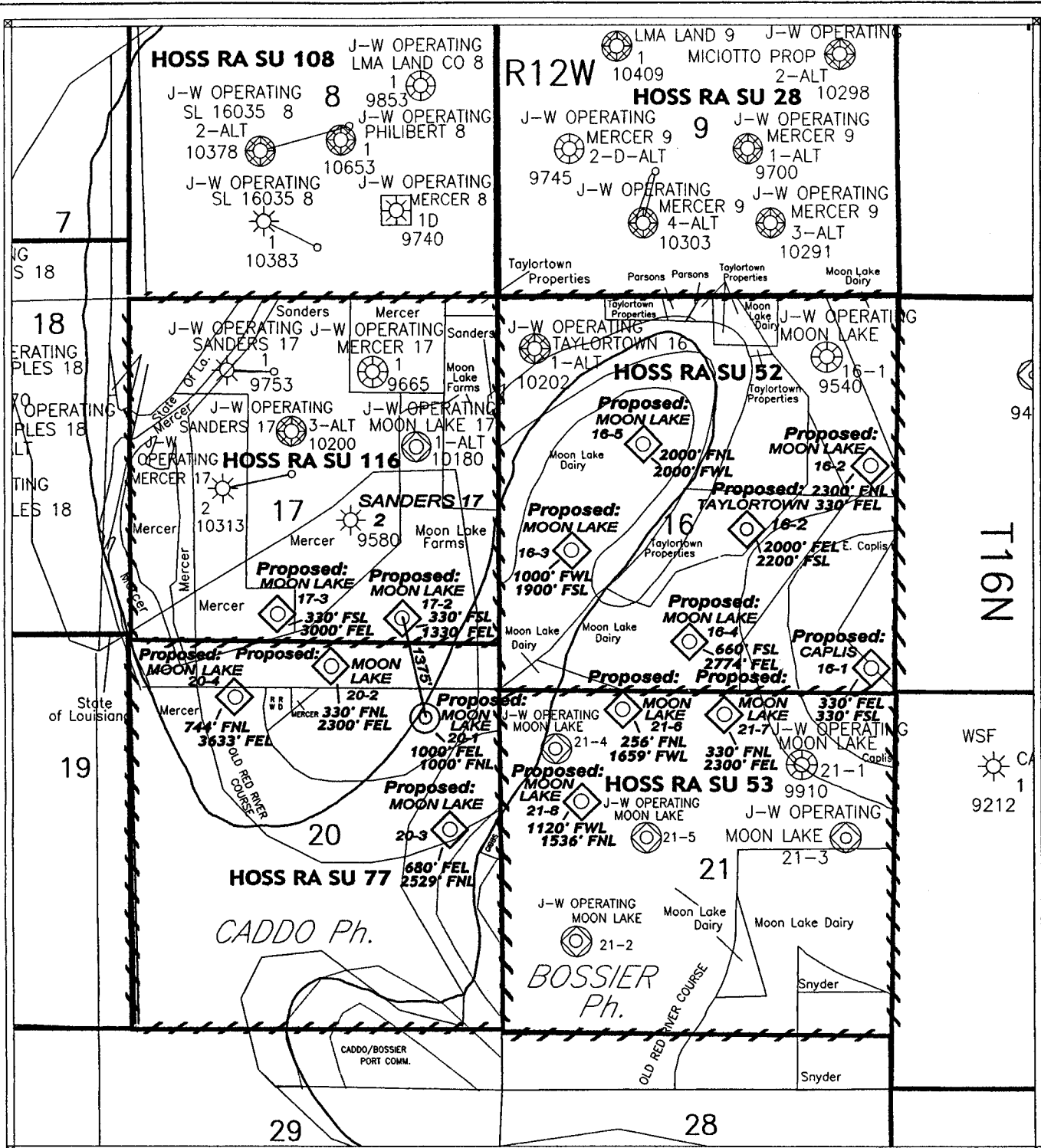
Yours very truly,


David L. Smelley
Attorney for J-W Operating Company

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Enclosures

cc: Mr. Jim Broussard (w/encls.)
Mr. Dave Williams (w/encls.)
Ms. Karen Liquori (w/encls.)
Mr. Joe B. Adams (w/encls.)
Interested Owners, Represented
Parties and Interested Parties (w/plats only)



17N11W

HOSS TP SU AA

21

22

23

SLIGO FIELD

HOSS RA SU 127

28

HOSS RA SU 106

27

HOSS RA SU 107

J-W OPERATING
BEFORE 28
1-ALT

J-W OPERATING
REEVES 28
1

J-W OPERATING
SUTTON 28
1

10021

PONDER

SNYDER OIL CORP.
ELM GROVE FIELD

MARTIN
TIMBER

PONDER

WILKINSON

J-W OPERATING
SUMNER 27

J-W OPERATING
SNYDER OIL CORP 27

J-W OPERATING
HOPKINS 27

J-W OPERATING
HOPKINS 27

Proposed:
PONDER

ANTHONY
FOREST
PRODUCTS

595' FSL
2480' FWL

9890

9900

J-W OPERATING
CROWE 26

J-W OPERATING
SNYDER ET AL 26

J-W OPERATING
JONES 26

J-W OPERATING
JONES 26

J-W OPERATING
BOB & ERLES

10040

10080

9980

10569

9940

9895

10550

QUESTAR
HOLLAND 33
1-ALT

9751

HOSS RA SU 2

QUESTAR
MORRIS 33

1-D

10400

33

URC
JOHNSON 33

9625

DALCO
ROOS 33

9600

QUESTAR
MARSHALL 34

1-D

9725

HOSS RA SU 1

34

QUESTAR
PONDER 34
1-ALT

9790

QUESTAR
PONDER 34
2-ALT

9745

URC
JACOBS 34

10096

AMERICAN EXPL
JACOBS

9800

SABINE

MOBLEY 34

9516

J-W OPERATING
FRANK HALL

J-W OPERATING
SNYDER OIL CORP 35

J-W OPERATING
SNYDER OIL CORP 35

J-W OPERATING
VALLHONRAT 35

J-W OPERATING
TOOKE 35

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LEGEND

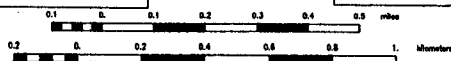
- Existing Units, Order 361-A series
- Proposed Alternate Unit Well
- Unit Well
- Approved Alternate Unit Well
- Posted Wells > 8300'



J - W OPERATING COMPANY

Unit Plat - Hosston Zone
Reservoir "A" Elm Grove Fld.
Bossier Ph., La

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SLIGO FIELD

CV RA SU 52

28

J-W OPERATING
BEFORE 28
1-ALT

J-W OPERATING
REEVES 28
1-ALT

J-W OPERATING
SUTTON 28
1-ALT

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10550 QUESTAR
HOLLAND 33
1-ALT
9751

CV RA SU 2

QUESTAR
MORRIS 33
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1-ALT
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ROOS 33
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ELM GROVE FIELD

CV RA SU 126

MARTIN
TIMBER

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J-W OPERATING
SNYDER OIL CORP 27

J-W OPERATING
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MCCORMICK

9980
1-ALT
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J-W OPERATING
JONES 26

2-ALT
10569

J-W OPERATING
BOB & ERLES
1-ALT
9895

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VALLHONRAT 35

1-ALT
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MOBLEY
HEROLD

1-ALT
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J-W OPERATING
TOOKE 35

2-ALT
10120

CV RA SU 113

J-W OPERATING
TOOKE 35

1-ALT
9590

J-W OPERATING
J. TOOKE 35
1-ALT
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QUESTAR
MARSHALL 34
1-ALT
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CV RA SU 1

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LEGEND

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- Unit Well
- Approved Alternate Unit Well
- Substitute Unit Well
- Posted Wells > 8300'



J - W OPERATING COMPANY

Unit Plat - Cotton Valley Form.
Reservoir "A" Elm Grove Fld.
Bossier Ph., La

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